

# Get Connected... Wirelessly!

Seminole County is now providing free high speed wireless Internet connection service that can be accessed during public meetings in the Seminole County Board of County Commissioner Chambers. All you need is a laptop computer or other device with a Wireless Network Interface Card (NIC).

Wireless access uses the WiFi standard IEEE 802.11 a, b, or g. New laptops often come with a built-in wireless NIC and will be configured to pick up the signal automatically.

If your laptop does not have a wireless network interface card, you will need to purchase a compatible card and follow the manufacturer's instructions to install it on your laptop. Typically, this involves installing the network card driver and a client utility program. This program will allow you to configure the settings for your network connection. *Please remember to mute your laptop during meetings.* 



Authentication = Open or None

TCP/IP settings = Use DHCP or "obtain IP Address automatically"
Turn Wireless ON

Many laptops with built-in wireless (and some with external cards) have switches, buttons, or software that can be used to turn wireless off to save battery life. Make sure that it is turned on. The wireless card should be configured to accept a DHCP connection.



## How do I access the Seminole County Wireless Connection?

Your wireless interface will typically connect automatically to the service in its native configuration. If this does not occur automatically, you may need to enable the wireless interface and DHCP.

#### Is technical support assistance available?

Seminole County staff cannot accept the liability of handling your equipment. If you need help, refer to the manufacturer's documentation.

## Which wireless standards are supported? 802.11 a, b, and g are supported.

### Is the Seminole County Wireless Connection secure?

The Seminole County Wireless Connection is an open network. The network is not secure, and Seminole County cannot guarantee the safety of your information on the wireless network. Information viewed or sent from your laptop could be captured by anyone else with a wireless device. The County assumes

no responsibility for the configurations, security, or files on your laptop resulting from connection to Seminole County Wireless Connection.

#### Are certain Web sites blocked?

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Yes, certain Web sites are blocked via a context based firewall.

#### Is printing available?

No, printing is not available.

Email comments or suggestions to:

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**Wireless Connection?** 

If your laptop is WiFi enabled and properly configured, the laptop should automatically detect

automatically detect
the wireless network. Simply launch your
Internet browser (e.g., Explorer,
Netscape, etc). The Seminole County
Wireless Connection portal page will be
displayed and you must accept the
disclaimer to gain access to the network.
You may need to connect to the network
by clicking on the Wireless icon located
on the Windows toolbar, or through
Network Connections in
the Control Panel.

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